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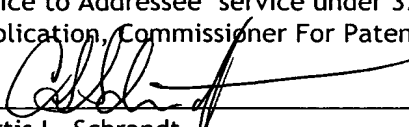
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FOR: "METHODS FOR REDUCING MEAT DISCOLORATION"

ENCLOSED ARE:

- (1) Application Data Sheet;
- (2) Specification (pages 1-13), Claims (pages 14-15 / 15 claims) & Abstract (page 16); and
- (3) Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Notes: The priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/452,114, filed 03/06/03, is claimed under 35 CFR § 119. Small entity status applies to this application.

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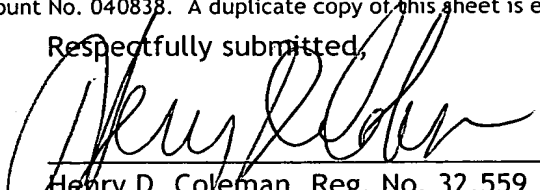
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